IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

PAUL CASTONGUAY,)	4:10CV3207
Plaintiff,)	
)	
V.)	MEMORANDUM
)	AND ORDER
TECUMSEH STATE PRISON, and)	
MAILROOM STAFF,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

This matter is before the court on Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to Appeal In Forma Pauperis ("IFP"). (Filing No. <u>16</u>.) For the reasons discussed below, the Motion is denied.

On December 8, 2010, the court dismissed Plaintiff's Complaint without prejudice and entered Judgment against him. (Filing Nos. $\underline{13}$ and $\underline{14}$.) Thereafter, Plaintiff filed a Notice of Appeal (filing no. $\underline{15}$) and a Motion for Leave to Appeal IFP (filing no. $\underline{16}$).

As the court has previously informed Plaintiff, under the provisions of <u>28</u> <u>U.S.C. §1915(g)</u> ("§ 1915(g)"), a prisoner may not proceed in forma pauperis in a civil action, or appeal a judgment in a civil action, if the prisoner has, on three or more occasions, while incarcerated, brought an action or appeal in federal court that was dismissed on the grounds that it is frivolous, malicious, or fails to state a claim upon which relief may be granted. <u>§ 1915(g)</u>. An exception is made for prisoners who are under imminent danger of serious physical injury. <u>Id</u>. The court has already determined that Plaintiff brought three cases, while incarcerated, that were dismissed

¹ Castonguay v. Douglas County Attorney Office, No. 8:09CV392 (D. Neb.), dismissed on April 9, 2010. (Case No. 8:09CV392, Filing Nos. 11 and 12.) Castonguay v. Douglas County Correction Center, No. 8:09CV225 (D. Neb.), dismissed on November 3, 2009. (Case No. 8:09CV225, Filing Nos. 14 and 15.) Castonguay v. State of Nebraska, No. 8:09CV221 (D. Neb.), dismissed on November 3, 2009. (Case No. 8:09CV221, Filing Nos. 15 and 16.)

because they failed to state a claim upon which relief could be granted. (See Filing Nos. $\underline{6}$ and $\underline{13}$.)

Plaintiff has not shown that these cases state a claim upon which relief may be granted, nor has he shown that he faces any danger of physical injury. Thus, Plaintiff was not permitted to proceed IFP in this court, and is not entitled to proceed IFP on appeal. Moreover, Plaintiff has not paid the \$455.00 filing fee, and his appeal cannot be processed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to Appeal IFP (filing no. <u>16</u>) is denied. The Clerk of the court shall not process the appeal to the Eighth Circuit.
- 2. The Clerk of the court is directed to forward a copy of this Memorandum and Order to the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals.

DATED this 24^{th} day of January, 2011.

BY THE COURT:

s/ Joseph F. Bataillon
Chief United States District Judge

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